



RESPONSE SUMMARY

Big Pine Summer Pre-Kindergarten Transition Program Summer 2004 (Follow Up to Getting Children Ready to Start School Survey)

Please tell us about your child's experience in the Summer Pre-Kindergarten Transition Program. Your opinions will help us to plan programs for next year. Please take the time to complete this survey. Thank you!

1. How old is your child? 1 (age 3) 3 (age 4) 4 (age 5)

2. Did your child attend preschool? 8 yes 0 no

3. What race/ethnicity do you consider the child to be?

3 White 3 Hispanic 0 Native American
More than one race (list) 1 White/Hispanic 1 No response

4. What community do you live in?

8 Big Pine n/a Other

5. Following is lists of skills/ assets children need to succeed when they start school. Do you feel your child improved / developed skills / assets in any of following areas as a result of attending the Pre-Kindergarten School? (Check all that apply)

<u>8</u> Knowing colors, numbers, letters, shapes	<u>7</u> Behavior like turn-taking, following
<u>5</u> Speaking and understanding (English)	directions
<u>6</u> Communicating what they want	<u>5</u> Hygiene like toileting and hand washing
<u>5</u> Hand coordination to hold a pencil	<u>5</u> Good health
<u>4</u> Athletic skills like running and jumping	<u>5</u> Good nutrition/enough food to eat
<u>6</u> Social skills to get along well with others	<u>4</u> Stable home environment
<u>7</u> Adequate attention span	<u>1</u> None of the above
	<u>1</u> Other: _____

6. After your child attended the Summer Enrichment program do you feel your child is better prepared for Kindergarten? 8 yes 0 no

If no, why not?

7. What are some of the ways this program better prepared your child for Kindergarten?
(Check all that apply)

<u>5</u> Getting to know the Kindergarten room	<u>2</u> Learning the Kindergarten routine
<u>4</u> Being together with other Pre- Kindergarten students	
<u>6</u> Learning about the School Library	<u>6</u> Reviewing letters and numbers
<u>7</u> Social skills	<u>6</u> Program lasting 4-6 weeks

8. Please name something that you liked about the Summer pre-K program:

- The hours lasting until 12:00; participation with park activities.
- Learned social skills, and this is important in getting ready to advance. Interaction with other children, and knowing that it's okay to attend programs even thru the summer vacation months. We had to explain this to our grandchildren. They thought they didn't have school during summer. But they enjoyed themselves.
- Park and longer hours.
- That he likes going to the library, picking out a book and wanting to be read to.
- Longer hours.
- The focus on kindergarten skills.
- Hours – library club.
- Longer hours, student/teacher ratio, involvement with library program.

9. How could we make this Summer Enrichment Pre-Kindergarten Program better?

- Already good enough to me.
- We think everyone did a great job. I don't criticize because I can't do any better and I don't have time to help with the program. All we can do is praise all the volunteers and say "Good Job!" When all the programs, Ed Center, Library, etc will work together this is accomplishing a lot. No other comment.
- Nothing needs changing.
- Involve the kindergarten teacher in deciding what curriculum is needed.
- Nothing! Wish regular year was extended to 12!